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7. (New) A fruit press, comprising:

a centrally arranged element projecting upward from a base to a tip and having an outer surface for the pressing of fruit;

an annular surface surrounding said element base;

said element having ridges on said outer surface running from said base substantially to said tip;

trough-like recesses formed in said outer surface between said ridges; and

said trough-like recesses having a cross-section substantially in the form of a circle.

8. (New) The fruit press according to claim 7, including said centrally arranged element is formed substantially conical and projects upward from said base to a centrally located tip and said ridges run up to said tip.

9. (New) The fruit press according to claim 7, including said centrally arranged element is formed substantially hollow inside with an outer wall having said outer surface and includes a hollow central shaft with an outer wall and an inner wall adapted to fit onto a drive shaft for the press.

10. (New) The fruit press according to claim 9, including said centrally arranged element has reinforcing walls formed between said hollow central shaft outer wall and said element outer wall.

11. (New) The fruit press according to claim 10, including said hollow central shaft is formed with an angular cross-section outer wall.

12. (New) The fruit press according to claim 11, including said reinforcing walls join said hollow central shaft outer wall substantially perpendicular.